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TAGS: UNCTAD, LOS

SUBJ: UNCTAD TDB XIV: SESSIONAL COMMITTEE DEBATE ON LOS:51 (III)
SEABEDS

1. SESSIONAL COMMITTEE I CONCLUDED DEBATE ON SEABEDS
ITEM 4(B) RESOLUTION 51 (III). SESSIONAL COMMITTEE
TOOK NOTE OF THE UNCTAD REPORTS (TD/B492 AND TD/B/483)
AND RECOMMENDED THAT THE UNCTAD SECRETARIAT CONTINUE ITS
STUDIES AS MANDATED BY RESOLUTION 51 (III).
1 1/2. FEW STATEMENTS ON SEABEDS MADE ONLY BY CHILE, MEXICO,
INDIA, PERU, SRI LANKA, AUSTRALIA, AND US. CHILE,
MEXICO AND INDIA SUPPORTED FINDINGS OF UNCTAD DOCUMENTS
AND DESIRE CONTINUATION OF STUDIES TO DETERMINE ADVERSE
ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF SEABED MINING ON LAND PRODUCERS AND
ANALYZE ALTERNATIVE MEASURES WHICH WOULD MITIGATE ADVERSE
EFFECTS.
2. AUSTRALIA MADE POINT THAT SEABED MINING CONCERNS NOT
ONLY LDC PRODUCERS, BUT ALSO OTHER PRODUCERS AND
AND CONSUMERS. AUSTRALIAN DEL NOTED THAT ALTHOUGH
IMPLICATIONS OF SEABED MINING SHOULD BE KEPT UNDER
REVIEW, IT MIGHT BE MORE BENEFICIAL TO THE LOS DISCUSSIONS
IF THE SECRETARIAT WOULD EXPLORE THE TYPE OF MACHINERY
WHICH MIGHT BE REQUIRED TO MONITOR THE OVERALL
SITUATION OF LAND AND SEA-BASED MINERAL MINING.
3. SWITZERLAND ON BEHALF OF GROUP B STATED THAT
SEABED ISSUE IN HANDS OF LOS IS BEING CONSIDERED BY
EXPERTS. UNCTAD SHOULD NOT ACT IN ANY WAY WHICH WOULD
PREJUDGE LOS OUTCOME.
4. US DEL MADE BRIEF STATEMENT DRAWING ON POSITION PAPER.
STATEMENT BEING POUCHED.
5. STATEMENTS BY GROUP B COUNTRIES TOUCHED OFF RESPONSE
BY SEVERAL LDC'S WHICH CHALLENGE GROUP B CRITICISM OF
UNCTAD STUDIES POINTING OUT THAT SECRETARIAT DIRECTED
TO MAKE AND CONFINE STUDIES TO LOS.

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51 (III).

6, AUSTRALIA AND GROUP B SPOKESMAN RECALLED RESOLUTION

51 (III) ADOPTED WITH MANY ABSTENTIONS AND ONE VOTE OPPOSED.

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TAGS: EFIS PLOS US XN XP XL

SUBJECT: NEW ENFORCEMENT GUIDELINES ON US RIGHTS TO
LIVING RESOURCES OF THE CONTINENTAL SHELF

REF: STATE SEPTTEL THIS DATE

1, TEXT OF ADDITIONAL NOTE TO CANADA AFFECTING CIRCULAR
NOTE IN REFTEL IS QUOTED BELOW.

2, TEXT: QUOTE THE SECRETARY OF STATE PRESENTS HIS
COMPLIMENTS TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE AMBASSADOR OF CANADA
AND HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE ACCOMPANYING CIRCULAR
NOTE RELATING TO THE LIVING RESOURCES OF THE CONTINENTAL
SHELF OF THE UNITED STATES WHICH IS BEING CIRCULATED TO A
NUMBER OF GOVERNMENTS, REFERENCE IS ALSO MADE TO THE
RECIPROCAL FISHING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND
CANADA, TO FISHING ACTIVITIES OF THE NATIONALS OF THE RE-
SPECTIVE COUNTRIES OFF EACH OTHER'S COASTS, AND TO THE
PRACTICES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS WITH RESPECT TO SUCH
FISHING. IN LIGHT OF THE FOREGOING, THE PROCEDURES RE-
FERRED TO IN THE ACCOMPANYING NOTE WILL NOT BE APPLIED TO
CANADIAN VESSELS AT THIS TIME. APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF
THE UNITED STATES ARE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH
THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA.
THE SECRETARY OF STATE WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF THE AMBASSADOR
OF CANADA WOULD FORWARD THIS INFORMATION TO HIS GOVERNMENT
IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ACCOMPANYING NOTE. KISSINGER

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